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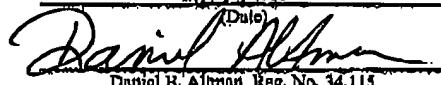
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Dear Sir:

Further to the response mailed on April 18, 2001, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 4 as follows:

~~4. (Amended Five Times) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 1, wherein said peptide has at least one pair of disulfide bonded cysteine residues selected from the group consisting of:~~

- (i) Cys₇₁ - Cys₁₈₉; and
- (ii) Cys₂₅₉ - Cys₂₇₀,

~~wherein said cysteine residues are identified in SEQ ID NO:4.~~

REMARKS

Claim 4 was mistakenly amended to read that the first cysteine residue in part (ii) is Cys 257. Applicants have amended the Cys 257 to read Cys 259. Support for the amendment can be